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MEMORANDUM TO DR. DUNN - STL

SUBJECT: Space Flight Program

1. During the past week it has become increasingly apparent that a more detailed definition of an astronautics program for the Air Force is needed to back up our initial work in this area for the Yates Board, the AFDAP Study, and the 117L Program. It is therefore requested that Space Technology Laboratories of R-W prepare such a development program to cover ten to fifteen years in the future.

2. It is expected that such a program will provide stimulus for many detailed R&D projects in the future and will outline the course of development in future weapon systems which should be followed in the Air Force. A first draft of this work should be ready for inclusion in the 2 December briefing to Hq ARDC - this to be improved upon for the mid-December briefing to the Air Force Scientific Advisory Committee.

3. Subsequent to these two presentations it is believed essential to finalize the work in this area at the earliest possible time to provide necessary guidance to Hq USAF.

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